

INTERACTIVE SOUND PRODUCING TOY

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A sound-producing toy configured to represent a living being having movable parts to simulate a form of animation is provided with a sound-producing unit operable in the response to the simulated animation. Animation may be simulated by a hand inserted in the toy or by external operation of an actuator incorporated in the toy. The apparatus includes a switch that activates a sound-producing unit, which produces a verbal sound that is capable of being synchronized with the animation. The duration of the produced sound is controlled by the length of the animation, which provides the operator of the toy with the ability to control the performance of a familiar song, poem, or other series of sounds. In another aspect of the invention, an instrumental performance may be synchronized with the verbal sound and the animation.